

# Senate Study Bill 3128 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
VETERANS AFFAIRS BILL BY  
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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for a study of postsecondary undergraduate  
2 education benefits for veterans who live and work in this  
3 state and for their dependent children.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS — VETERANS  
2 AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN POSTSECONDARY UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION  
3 BENEFITS STUDY. The department of veterans affairs shall  
4 conduct a study, in collaboration with the state board of  
5 regents and the department of education and other postsecondary  
6 stakeholders as determined by the department of veterans  
7 affairs, of the need to provide greater postsecondary  
8 undergraduate education benefits for veterans and their  
9 dependents, including but not limited to dependent children of  
10 service-connected disabled veterans. The study shall include  
11 a review of current federal education benefits for veterans  
12 and their dependents, cost and participation estimates, and a  
13 review of educational benefits currently provided to veterans  
14 and their dependents by other states throughout the country.  
15 The department of veterans affairs shall submit its findings  
16 and recommendations in a report to the general assembly by  
17 December 31, 2010.

### EXPLANATION

19 This bill directs the department of veterans affairs to  
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